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OF THE

Roxbury Home for Children and Aged Women

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BOARD OF MANAGERS, 1900-1901.

MR. EDWARD B. REYNOLDS, *President*, 67 Walnut Park.

MRS. C. EDWIN MILES, *Vice-President*, 126 Warren Street.

MRS. LEWIS J. BIRD, *Vice-President*, 615 Warren Street.

MR. JOSEPH G. SHED, *Treasurer*, 27 Fountain Street.

MRS. CHARLES H. PLIMPTON, *Secretary*, 35 Waverley Street.

MR. FRANCIS J. WARD, *Auditor*, 37 Winthrop Street.

Mr. WILLIAM A. PAINE.

Mr. JOHN CARR.

Mr. THOMAS J. HOMER.

Mr. HENRY WOOD.

Miss LUCY A. NEVERS.

Miss SARAH D. H. WHITE.

Mrs. LUCINA F. TRIPP.

Mrs. CHARLES F. COPELAND.

Mrs. FRANCIS J. WARD.

Mrs. JOHN CARR.

Mrs. SOLOMON A. BOLSTER.

Mrs. CHARLES H. BOLLES.

Mrs. SAMUEL H. HUNNEMAN.

Mrs. EUGENE H. CLAPP.

Mrs. WILLIAM BARTON.

Mrs. LEWIS W. MORSE.

Mrs. WESLEY IRESON.

Mrs. HENRY B. DENNISON.

Mrs. HENRY BASFORD.

Miss JENNIE MCINTOSH.

Miss ANNE F. REYNOLDS.

Mrs. JOHN S. KEMP.

Mrs. HENRY REVERE.

Mrs. PHINEAS B. SMITH.

Mrs. FREEMAN WIGHT.

Mrs. THEODORE M. PLIMPTON.

Mrs. JOHN A. THOMPSON.

Miss SUSAN D. ELLIS.

Mrs. RUTH M. CLAPP.

Miss JULIA G. PERKINS, *Matron*.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

EDWARD B. REYNOLDS	67 Walnut Park
JOHN CARR	80 Elm Hill Avenue
FRANCIS J. WARD	37 Winthrop Street
HENRY WOOD	The Warren
WILLIAM A. PAINE	181 Walnut Avenue
THOMAS J. HOMER	4 Linwood Street
JOSEPH G. SHED	27 Fountain Street

COMMITTEE ON ADMISSIONS.

Mrs. C. EDWIN MILES	126 Warren Street
Mrs. LEWIS W. MORSE	22 Alaska Street
Miss SARAH D. H. WHITE	2 Highland Street

COMMITTEE ON FURNISHING AND REPLENISHING.

Miss ANNE F. REYNOLDS.	Mrs. JOHN S. KEMP.
Miss JENNIE MCINTOSH.	Mrs. HENRY REVERE.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Mrs. FRANCIS J. WARD.	Mrs. JOHN CARR.
Mrs. SOLOMON A. BOLSTER.	

COMMITTEE ON REPAIRS.

HENRY WOOD.	JOHN CARR.	JOSEPH G. SHED.
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HOUSE COMMITTEE.

Mrs. WILLIAM BARTON.	Mrs. EUGENE H. CLAPP.
Mrs. SAMUEL H. HUNNEMAN.	Miss SUSAN D. ELLIS.

VISITING COMMITTEE.

April.

Miss SARAH D. H. WHITE 2 Highland Street
 Mrs. HENRY REVERE 119 Park Street, Brookline

May.

Mrs. JOHN S. KEMP 32 Walton Street, Dorchester
 Mrs. PHINEAS B. SMITH 82 Howland Street

June.

Mrs. C. EDWIN MILES 126 Warren Street
 Mrs. HENRY BASFORD 51 Green Street, Jamaica Plain

July.

Mrs. SAMUEL H. HUNNEMAN 7 Perrin Street
 Miss JENNIE MCINTOSH 2859 Washington Street

August.

Mrs. CHARLES H. BOLLES Weymouth Heights
 Mrs. WILLIAM BARTON 52 Winthrop Street

September.

Mrs. LUCINA F. TRIPP 27 Whiting Street
 Mrs. JOHN CARR 80 Elm Hill Avenue

October.

Mrs. EUGENE H. CLAPP The Somerset, Commonwealth Avenue
 Mrs. WESLEY IRESON 20 Montrose Street

November.

Mrs. FREEMAN WIGHT 21 Mayfair Street
 Mrs. THEODORE M. PLIMPTON 7 Hawthorn Street

December.

Mrs. FRANCIS J. WARD 37 Winthrop Street
 Mrs. JOHN A. THOMPSON 15 Moreland Street

January.

Miss ANNE F. REYNOLDS 13 Kenilworth Street
 Miss SUSAN D. ELLIS Dedham, Box 235

February.

Mrs. RUTH M. CLAPP 142 Stanwood Court, Dorchester
 Mrs. LEWIS W. MORSE 22 Alaska Street

March.

Mrs. SOLOMON A. BOLSTER 10 Cobden Street
 Mrs. HENRY B. DENNISON 45 Townsend Street

Extra Visitors.

Miss LUCY NEVERS 14 Perrin Street
 Mrs. LEWIS J. BIRD 615 Warren Street

ANNUAL REPORT.

There have been held ten monthly meetings and one for special business, with an average attendance of seventeen members.

At the last annual meeting the same Board of Managers was elected, and our reports show the same interest and zeal of each in the care of the inmates of the Home.

It is cause for congratulation that we can report our force of active workers intact.

We have, however, the sad duty of recording the death of our honored first Vice-President, Mrs. Thomas J. Homer, whose enthusiastic work for thirty-three years as a Board Manager and for seventeen years as Vice-President brought such satisfaction to her and advantage to us who remain.

At our September meeting our President, Mr. Reynolds, made very appropriate remarks, alluding with much feeling to her cheerfully faithful labors.

There are at present thirty elderly ladies in the Home,—all the house can accommodate, which by no means shows the extent of our work. We have many outside beneficiaries, and a glance at the names of those who have enjoyed the sheltering care of this Home in years past will more nearly represent the good accomplished.

We have admitted three new members, Mrs. J. W. Moulton, Miss Caroline A. Durell, and Miss Anna Emily Moncrieff.

Three have died during the year, one being an outside beneficiary, Miss Jane Watson.

Mrs. Elizabeth P. Colley, whose patient, uncomplaining spirit waited nine long years for release, died September 2. December 31, Mrs. Mary Pitts Pierce left a very large va-

cancy in our Home and hearts by reason of her rare disposition and unusual refinement of life.

Our Matron, Mrs. Amanda L. Mayberry, after seven years of faithful service, resigns her position on account of failing health and strength.

Many very enjoyable occasions are a delight to all. For all holiday seasons have been provided the appropriate celebrations, and Sunday services are conducted by the best talent our city affords, besides evening entertainments often given by young people, so that there is never any lack of cause for thankfulness to our Father, whose mercies are so "new every morning and fresh every evening."

Our Treasurer's accounts show comfortable conditions financially, but not, as some suppose, that we are beyond the need of aid. Our work might extend almost indefinitely, had we the wherewithal to feed and shelter these feeble ones, sent by the Master, perhaps to test our faith. We earnestly bespeak the active interest of all who would "do with their might what their hands find to do."

S. J. BOLSTER, *Secretary pro tem.*

TREASURER'S REPORT OF ROXBURY HOME FOR CHILDREN AND AGED WOMEN.
YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1900.

Cash on hand, April 1, 1899	\$3,788.41
<i>Receipts.</i>	
Income of investments	\$4,673.59
Subscriptions	219.00
Admissions	1,106.00
Board	144.00
Income of Snow Fund	450.06
" Adams Fund	252.00
" Lowell Fund	160.00
" Whiting Fund	220.00
" Gifford Fund	85.00
" Porter Fund	300.00
" Randall Fund	50.00
" Fisher Fund	135.41
" Ransom Fund	300.00
" Rogers estate	22.35
Legacies:	8,117.41
Elizabeth B. Fisher	\$10,391.00
Susie M. Ransom	9,000.00
Nelson Worthen	1,000.00
Investments called or exchanged:	20,391.00
Columbus, Hocking Valley Road	\$500.00
Boylston Insurance Co. Stock	2,500.00
Eagle National Bank Stock	200.00
Iowa Loan and Trust Co. Bonds	1,500.00
Chicago, Burlington & Northern Bonds .	2,000.00
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Bonds .	5,000.00
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy (Porter)	
Bonds	1,000.00
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy (Gifford)	
Bonds	1,000.00
	<u>13,700.00</u>
	\$45,996.82

		<i>Payments.</i>	
Table supplies		\$2,615.38	
Salaries and wages		1,876.17	
Labor		532.24	
Printing report, etc.		70.60	
Furniture		288.19	
Two funerals		116.00	
Repairs		211.38	
Supplies, etc.		185.02	
Board		222.47	
Medicines		96.60	
Telephone		60.00	
Incidentals		192.24	
Rent of Safe Security vaults		15.00	
Auxiliary fire alarm		25.00	
Fuel and lights		336.75	
Children's aid		482.00	
		<u>\$7,325.04</u>	
Investments:			
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Bonds, ex-			
changed for stock	\$5,000.00		
Mortgage, Daniel Manning	4,000.00		
Iowa Loan and Trust Co.	2,300.00		
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Bonds, 3½			
per cent.	2,000.00		
Mortgage, Alex. Chisholm	3,500.00		
" Geo. W. Johnston, Fisher Fund	5,000.00		
" " " " " "	5,000.00		
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Stock,			
Ransom Fund	7,200.00		
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Stock,			
Porter Fund, exchange	1,000.00		
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Stock,			
Gifford Fund, exchange	1,000.00		
Balance, cash on hand			36,000.00
			<u>2,671.78</u>
			\$45,996.82

Boston, March 31, 1900.

This account examined and found correct.

FRANCIS J. WARD, *Auditor.*

JOSEPH G. SHED, *Treasurer.*

Boston, May 31, 1900.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

*Mr. Aaron H. Bean.
Mrs. Augustus Parker.

Miss Annie M. Haines.
Miss H. F. Holden.

LIFE MEMBERS, \$50.00.

Mrs. N. J. Bowditch.
*Mrs. Olive E. Hayden.
Mrs. David P. Kimball.
Mrs. Henry S. Shaw.
*Mrs. Jeremiah Plimpton.
Mrs. Sophie E. Copeland.
Mrs. H. A. Root.
Mr. Thomas J. Homer.

*Mrs. W. A. Root.
Rev. W. H. Lyon.
Mrs. Emily L. Wilson.
Mrs. L. F. Tripp.
Mrs. Francis J. Ward.
Mrs. K. P. Fletcher.
Miss Eleanor G. May.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION.

ONE DOLLAR AND UPWARDS.

1899-1900.

Appleton, Mrs. Mary G.

Bacon, Augustus.

Bacon, Miss Mary P.

Bacon, Mrs. William.

Bartlett, Miss Mary H.

Barton, Mrs. William.

Basford, Mrs. Henry.

Basto, Mrs. M. A.

Bayley, Mrs. M. R.

Beaman, Mrs. N. P.

Bird, Mrs. L. J.

Bolles, Mrs. C. H.

Bolster, Mrs. Solomon A.

Bosworth, Mrs. D. P.

Bradford, Mrs. C. F.

Bradstreet, Mrs. C. A.

Bray, Mrs. C. F.

Brewster, Mrs. Benjamin, \$5.

Brigham, Miss Lucy T.

Brown, Atherton T., \$5.

Bunker, Mrs. Cordelia.

Call, Mrs. Norman, \$2.

Carr, Mrs. Albert E.

Carr, John.

Carr, Mrs. John.

Childs, Mrs. Sara V. D.

Clapp, Miss Abbie.

Clapp, Miss Antoinette.

* Deceased.

Clapp, Mrs. Eugene H., \$5.
 Clapp, Mrs. Howard.
 Clapp, Mrs. Ruth M.
 Clarke, Mrs. Mary L.
 Cushing, Mrs. James.

Davenport, Mrs. Orlando H.
 Dawson, Miss Sarah.
 Dean, Miss Lillian F.
 Dennison, Mrs. E. W.
 Dennison, Mrs. H. B., \$5.
 De Normandie, Mrs. James.
 Dillaway, Mrs. Charles K.

Edson, Mrs. P. O'M.
 Eliot, Miss Emily B.
 Eliot, Miss Mary L.
 Ellis, Miss S. D.
 Emmons, Mrs. Henry, \$3.

Fairbairn, Robert B.
 Forbes, Mrs. H. D.
 Foster, Mrs. Anna S.
 Fowle, Miss Helen A.

Gage, Miss Catherine A.
 Green, Mrs. Frank E.
 Gregory, Mrs. George W., \$2.
 Guild, Mrs. Rebecca.

Haines, Miss A. M.
 Hall, Mrs. Solomon, \$2.
 Harmon, Mrs. Ivory.
 Harrington, Miss I. D.
 Harvey, Mrs. Charles C.
 Hayward, Mrs. J. W.
 Heath, Miss Elizabeth.
 Hill, Mrs. Charles W., \$2.
 Hoadley, Mrs. J. C.
 Hobbs, Miss Alice A.
 Hobbs, Mrs. George M.
 Hodgdon, Mrs. David M., \$2.
 Hodges, Mrs. Danforth C.

Holden, Miss H. F.
 Homer, Mrs. T. J.
 Homer, Thomas J.
 Howard, Miss H. S., \$3.
 Humphreys, R. C.
 Humphreys, Mrs. R. C.
 Hunneman, Mrs. S. H.

Ingell, Miss Mary A.
 Ireson, Mrs. Wesley.

Jackson, Mrs. A. C.

Keene, Mrs. Simeon W.
 Kellogg, Mrs. George F.
 Kemp, Mrs. John S.
 Kennard, Miss H. C.
 Kimball, Mrs. Augusta C.
 Kittredge, Mrs. William P.

Lamson, Mrs. Joseph.
 Lane, Mrs. Benjamin P.
 Lawrence, H. P.
 Leland, Mrs. William S.

Martin, Mrs. Henry A., \$5.
 McIntosh, Mrs. A. S.
 McIntosh, Miss Jennie.
 Meredith, Mrs. Joseph H.
 Miles, Dr. C. E.
 Miles, Mrs. C. E.
 Monroe, Mrs. George H.
 Morrill, Mrs. George.
 Morse, Mrs. Lewis W.

Nazro, Mrs. Fred H.
 Nazro, Miss M. W.
 Nevers, Miss Lucy A.
 Newell, Mrs. James M.
 Newell, Mrs. James W.
 Noble, John.
 Noble, Mrs. John.
 Norton, Mrs. J. H.

Otis, Mrs. Harriet B.

Paine, William A.

Parker, Mrs. Augustus.

Parker, Miss M. E.

Pettee, Mrs. Seth.

Pierce, Miss M. E.

Plimpton, Mrs. Charles H.

Plimpton, Mrs. T. M.

Pollock, Mrs. Charles.

Potter, Mrs. S. Allen.

Revere, Mrs. Henry.

Reynolds, Miss Anne F.

Reynolds, Edward B.

Reynolds, Mrs. Edward B.

Rice, Mrs. George Woods.

Rogers, Miss Laura D.

Rogers, Miss Susan S., \$3.

Sargent, Mrs. Epes, \$5.

Shannon, Miss Mattie A. S.

Shed, Joseph G.

Smith, Miss A. E.

Smith, George B.

Smith, Mrs. Phineas B.

Smith, Miss S. L., \$5.

Soren, John.

Soren, Miss Grace E.

Souther, Horatio H.

Thacher, Miss C. B.

Thompson, Mrs. Augustus C., \$3.

Thompson, Mrs. John A.

Townsend, E. B.

Townsend, Mrs. John.

Tripp, Frank F.

Tripp, Miss Marion C.

Tuttle, Mrs. Thomas W.

Wadsworth, Mrs. G. W.

Waldron, Rev. D. W.

Waldron, Miss Mary R.

Ward, Mr. Francis J.

Ware, Mrs. Leonard.

Waterman, Mrs. George H.

Wheelock, Mrs. J. Andrews.

Wheelwright, Mrs. H. G.

Wheelwright, Mrs. Josiah.

White, Miss Laura B.

White, Miss Margaret U.

White, Miss S. D. H.

White, Mrs. Frederick O.

Wight, Mrs. Freeman.

Williams, Mrs. R. B.

Wood, Henry.

Bequests to the Roxbury Home for Children and Aged Women since April 1, 1884.

Mrs. Mary Vinton	\$500.00
Miss Sarah Bradford	500.00
Mrs. Mehitable Adams	1,000.00
John H. Eastburn	3,000.00
Mrs. Catharine C. Humphreys	1,000.00
Benjamin F. Penniman	127.73
Mrs. Catharine L. Pray	500.00
Miss Sarah A. Hart	2,000.00
Joseph W. Tucker	500.00
Charles G. Emmons	500.00
Stephen Williams	38,710.61
Miss Mary Williams	5,000.00
Mrs. Ellen M. Gifford	1,000.00
Mrs. Mary W. Hollingsworth	400.00
Miss Susan Weld	300.00
Mrs. Caroline P. Adams	900.00
Mrs. Caroline P. Adams, additional	100.00
Miss Anna Cabot Lowell	2,000.00
Mrs. Sophia J. Snow	10,000.00
Miss Susan Seaver	500.00
Mrs. Sarah B. Curtis	1,000.00
J. W. and B. L. Randall	1,000.00
Charities Corporation	
Mr. Nelson Worthen	1,000.00

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the *Christian Register* and the *Saturday Evening Gazette* during the year ; also carriage rides furnished by the Young Men's Christian Union and donations in many forms from the following friends : —

Mrs. Charles Copeland.	Miss Lucy P. Howard.
Ladies' Benevolent Society, Putnam Chapel.	Mrs. J. C. Browne.
Miss Holden.	Miss Hayden.
Mrs. Francis J. Ward.	Mrs. Francis A. Wheelock.
Mrs. Henry B. Dennison.	Miss Marjorie Ide.
Miss Slocum.	Miss Anne F. Reynolds.
Mrs. Hunneman.	Mrs. Walter Bicknell.
Mrs. Bolster.	Mrs. Barton.
Miss Mary Bean.	Miss E. Huntington.
Mrs. Henry Revere.	Mrs. Nichols.
Miss S. D. H. White.	Mrs. T. M. Plimpton.
Mrs. Bowers.	Mr. William Long.
Mrs. Eugene Clapp.	Miss Dean.
Mrs. Fowle.	Miss Leavitt.
Mrs. Wight.	Mrs. Thompson.
Miss Mary G. Gore.	Miss C. S. Crosby.
Miss Mary Hurd.	Mrs. Cleaveland.
Mr. Wellington.	Miss McIntosh.
Mrs. S. E. Hooper.	Mrs. Edward Hale.

MUSIC.

We would again thank our friends who have made our Sunday services so pleasing by the addition of music. A number of clubs and quartettes of young people have visited the Home at various times, and given entertainments which have been enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Stephen Allen.
 Mr. Bancroft.
 Mr. Miller.
 Miss Edith Kimball.
 Miss Helen Fowle.
 Miss Edith Whitcomb.
 Mrs. Henry Smith.
 Mrs. Mitchell.
 Mrs. Charles H. Page.
 Mrs. Stevenson.
 Mrs. Boyden.
 Miss Melon.
 Mrs. Crowley.
 Mr. Crowley.
 Mr. Foss.
 Miss Tetlow.
 Miss Edith Plimpton.
 Miss Waldron.

Miss Grace Bradbury.
 Miss M. Logan.
 Choir from Immanuel Church.
 Miss Annie Winn.
 Miss Gertrude Howe.
 Miss Carolyn Cottrell.
 Mr. Courtney Guild.
 Miss Reed.
 Miss Adeline Train.
 Miss Ellis.
 Mr. Augustus Nye.
 Mrs. J. F. Whitney.
 Miss Ethel Hunneman.
 Mrs. Freeman.
 Mrs. Darling.
 Miss Marie Nichols.
 Miss Martha Melchet.
 Mrs. Lewis W. Morse.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Every Sunday afternoon at 4 P.M., excepting during the months of July and August, a religious service is held, to which our neighbors and friends are cordially invited, and which is much enjoyed by the members of the family. To the following friends, both ministers and laymen, who have so kindly assisted in conducting these services, we would give renewed thanks.

Rev. George H. Hosmer.
 Rev. Morgan Miller.
 Rev. Carey Chamberlain.
 Rev. S. K. Mitchell.
 Mrs. Dr. Jane Patterson.
 Rev. F. W. Hamilton.
 Rev. Stephen H. Roblin.
 Rev. Charles H. Page.
 Rev. William Haywood.
 Rev. Henry Hinkley.
 Rev. B. F. Hamilton.
 Rev. Charles H. Beale.
 Mr. Clarence T. Moore.
 Rev. Horace Dutton.
 Rev. William McElveen.
 Rev. James De Normandie, D.D.
 Rev. William Kelsy.

Mr. Edward B. Reynolds.
 Rev. William F. Beale.
 Rev. E. C. Ewing.
 Rev. Albert H. Plumb.
 Rev. D. W. Waldron.
 Rev. Henry T. Secrist.
 Rev. Judson Smith, D.D.
 Rev. William Vrooman.
 Rev. William Locke.
 Mr. Richard C. Humphreys.
 Rev. Isam P. Wooton.
 Rev. Andrew J. Purdy.
 Rev. Edward C. Applegaith.
 Rev. James H. Wohorter.
 Rev. E. D. Mallory.
 Rev. J. G. Dunlop.
 Rev. W. H. Allbright.

INMATES.

ENTERED HOME.	NAME.	BORN.
November, 1871	Mrs. Eliza R. Carson	June 11, 1815
January, 1885	Mrs. Sally Ann Wormwood	Jan. 27, 1821
May, 1888	Mrs. Sarah B. Noyes	Sept. 7, 1822
May, 1889	Miss Mary A. Dolan	March 8, 1827
September, 1889	Miss Jane Peer	Feb. 11, 1817
September, 1889	Mrs. Tencie W. Rogers	May 25, 1822
November, 1891	Miss Anna D. Fiske	Feb. 12, 1815
January, 1892	Mrs. Abby B. Child	March 7, 1816
February, 1892	Miss Lucy R. Kirby	Sept. 25, 1829
November, 1893	Mrs. Lucy R. Warren	Nov. 17, 1825
September, 1894	Mrs. Louise W. Gibson	March 29, 1814
May, 1894	Miss Elizabeth E. Clark	Jan. 6, 1824
October, 1894	Miss Louise M. Lewis	Oct. 2, 1829
June, 1895	Mrs. Cordelia M. Lewis	Nov. 1, 1824
July, 1895	Mrs. Eudora A. J. Merrill	Jan. 2, 1816
July, 1895	Miss Mary Nickelson	Oct. 26, 1828
October, 1896	Mrs. Caroline White	Oct. 21, 1812
October, 1896	Mrs. Mary Ann Barbrick	May 24, 1820
October, 1896	Miss Caroline D. Montaigne	Feb. 8, 1815
November, 1896	Mrs. Ann T. Pollard	March 11, 1824
June, 1897	Miss Lucy Annie Forsaine	Nov. 1, 1813
December, 1897	Mrs. Lydia A. Downes	Sept. 24, 1827
June, 1898	Miss Harriet M. Harrington	Feb. 23, 1822
October, 1898	Mrs. Anna Gustafve Lindergreen	March 7, 1828
October, 1898	Mrs. Harriet W. Phelps	March 31, 1832
February, 1899	Mrs. Mary E. Blaisdell	June 21, 1831
February, 1899	Miss Marjory Cowperthwaite	Nov. 16, 1829
September, 1899	Mrs. Elizabeth M. Moulton	Jan. 26, 1825
November, 1899	Miss Caroline A. Durell	March 14, 1832
February, 1900	Miss Anna Emily Moncrieff	May 26, 1832

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SIX.

AN ACT

To incorporate the Children's Home and Home for Aged Females in Roxbury.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :

SECTION 1. James Ritchie, John Rogers, Charles K. Dillaway, and James Waldock, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Children's Home and Home for Aged Females in Roxbury, for the purpose of providing for destitute children and aged females, and affording a temporary home for the same, with all the powers and subject to all the duties and liabilities set forth in the forty-fourth chapter of the Revised Statutes.

SECT. 2. Said corporation may take and hold real estate not exceeding the value of twenty thousand dollars, and personal estate not exceeding the value of thirty thousand dollars, for the aforesaid charitable purposes.

SECT. 3. This Act shall take effect from and after its passage.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 29, 1856.

Passed to be enacted.

CHARLES A. PHELPS, *Speaker.*

IN SENATE, May 30, 1856.

Passed to be enacted.

ELIHU C. BAKER, *President.*

May 31, 1856.

Approved.

HENRY J. GARDNER.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, June 3, 1856.

A true copy.

Attest :

THOMAS DEWITT,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

[CHAPTER 199.]

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FOUR.

AN ACT

To change the name of the "Children's Home and Home for Aged Females in Roxbury."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by authority of the same, as follows :

SECTION 1. The name of the corporation known as the "Children's Home and Home for Aged Females in Roxbury" is changed to the "Roxbury Home for Children and Aged Women."

SECT. 2. This Act shall take effect upon its passage.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 20, 1874.

Passed to be enacted.

JOHN E. SANFORD, *Speaker*.

IN SENATE, April 23, 1874.

Passed to be enacted.

GEO. B. LORING, *President*.

April 24, 1874.

Approved.

W. B. WASHBURN.

SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, April 28, 1886.

A true copy.

Witness the Seal of the Commonwealth.

[SEAL.]

DEPUTY HENRY J. COOLIDGE,

Secretary of the Commonwealth.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE.

AN ACT

Enabling the Roxbury Home for Children and Aged Women to hold additional real and personal estate.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section two of chapter two hundred and forty of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and fifty-six, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Children's Home and Home for Aged Females in Roxbury," is repealed, and the following is substituted in place thereof: Said corporation may take and hold real estate not exceeding the value of seventy-five thousand dollars, and personal estate not exceeding the value of seventy-five thousand dollars, for the aforesaid charitable purposes.

SECT. 2. This Act shall take effect upon its passage.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Feb. 12, 1883.

Passed to be enacted.

GEORGE A. MARDEN, *Speaker*.

IN SENATE, Feb. 14, 1883.

Passed to be enacted.

GEORGE G. CROCKER, *President*.

Feb. 15, 1883.

Approved.

BENJAMIN F. BUTLER.

SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT, March 1, 1883.

A true copy.

Attest:

HENRY B. PEIRCE,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

BY-LAWS.

ADOPTED APRIL 22, 1884.

ARTICLE I.

The corporation shall consist of the persons named in the Act of Incorporation, all Life and Honorary Members, and of all such persons as shall have received, at any legal meeting of the Board of Managers, a majority of the votes cast at such meeting, and shall pay such sum as shall be voted as the annual assessment. Membership to cease upon non-payment of the annual assessment.

ARTICLE II.

OFFICERS.

The officers of the corporation, under the name of the "Board of Managers," shall consist of a President, two Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary, Auditor, and not more than thirty other persons, all of whom shall be members of the corporation. They shall be chosen by ballot at each annual meeting, and shall hold their offices for one year and until others are chosen and qualified. The Board of Managers shall have power to fill any vacancies occurring during the year.

ARTICLE III.

MEETINGS.

The annual meeting of the corporation shall be holden on the fourth Tuesday of April; and the Board of Managers may call special meetings of the corporation whenever in their opinion expedient or desirable, and it shall be their duty to call them whenever requested in writing so to do by twenty members. Notice of time and place of meeting shall be given in one or more newspapers published in the city of Boston at least four days previous to the meeting.

A regular meeting of the Board of Managers shall be held on the third Tuesday of every month, at such place and hour as they shall direct; and special meetings may be called at any time by the President, Vice-President, or Committee for the month. Notices of such special meetings shall state the object for which they are called. Six members shall constitute a quorum.

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ARTICLE IV.

MANAGERS.

The Board of Managers shall have the entire government and control of the Home, and of the general business and property of the Association. They may choose committees from their own members on Finance, Supplies, Repairs, Admissions, and such other committees as may be necessary to perform any special duties. They shall have full power to take any measure which they may deem expedient for encouraging subscriptions, donations, and bequests to the corporation; and they shall make an annual report to the corporation, on the Treasurer's accounts and on the general state of the Home, and give an abstract of their doings for the year.

ARTICLE V.

VISITING COMMITTEE.

There shall be a Committee of one or more from the Board of Managers for every month, whose duty it shall be to visit the Home at least once a week, ascertain all needs, make fitting suggestions, give orders for necessary purchases, and submit their report at the succeeding monthly meeting. They shall also have supervision over outside beneficiaries.

ARTICLE VI.

TREASURER.

The Treasurer under the direction of the Committee on Finance shall have the charge and care of the finances, shall receive all moneys due, and shall pay all bills which have been approved by the Board of Managers of their authorized committees. He shall render an account annually to the corporation and quarterly to the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE VII.

AUDITOR.

The auditor shall, in the month of April of every year, audit the account of the Treasurer, examine the property of the corporation, and append his report to the Treasurer's annual statement.

ARTICLE VIII.

SECRETARY.

The Secretary shall notify and attend all meetings of the corporation and of the Board of Managers, and shall keep a distinct record of the doings of each, with the names of those present at Board meetings,

and shall notify the members of the Visiting Committee of their term of service, and shall bring to the attention of the Board all communications requiring action.

ARTICLE IX.

LIFE MEMBERS.

Any person who shall contribute the sum of \$50 may become a Life Member by a vote of the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE X.

ADMISSION OF INMATES.

Preference shall be given to those applicants who are residents of that part of Boston formerly known as Roxbury. The Managers may, if they deem it expedient, aid beneficiaries at their own home.

ARTICLE XI.

DONATIONS.

All sums received by the Association as donations or bequests, unless the donor or testator shall otherwise prescribe, and all moneys collected, including subscriptions, may be applied to the current expenses of the Institution, or to create or increase a permanent fund, or be otherwise invested at the discretion of the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE XII.

AMENDMENTS.

The foregoing By-laws may be altered, amended, or added to by a vote of a majority of the members present at any legal meeting of the corporation, notice thereof having been given of the change proposed in the call of said meeting.

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS.

ARTICLE I.

VISITING COMMITTEE.

The visitors for the month shall visit the Home not less than once a week. It shall be their duty to see the inmates, inquire into their condition, and give such encouragement and advice as may be in their power or the circumstances of the case seem to require. The Committee shall have the general oversight of the Matron and the concerns of the family. They shall ascertain the needs of the Institution, and direct the purchase of such articles as may be required for its temporary welfare and comfort. They shall see that the Matron conforms to the rules as to her own conduct and that of the family, and they shall make a monthly report to the Managers of the Institution.

ARTICLE II.

MATRON.

The Matron, under direction of the Visiting Committee, shall have charge of the house. She shall in no case be absent during the night without permission from the Visiting Committee. She shall enforce the rules and regulations of the Managers, and carry out such others as may be prescribed by the Visiting Committee. She shall be present at meals, see that they are properly served, and that all the inmates who are in health are present, and that suitable food be prepared for the sick. She shall report to the Visiting Committee the names of all applicants and the date of application, and, if presents be made to the Institution, the names of the persons making them, and the character of the donation. She shall at all times maintain the respect due to her station, and by kindness, attention, and judicious treatment endeavor to gain the esteem and secure the comfort and happiness of all those under her care. If improper conduct is observed in any member of the family, she shall, after the first offence, report the same to the Visiting Committee. She will, under the direction of the Visiting Committee, have the direction of nurses, domestics, and all other employees in the building. It shall be her duty to see that neatness and good conduct prevail in every part of the establishment, and that all unnecessary fires and lights are extinguished by 9.30 P.M.

ARTICLE III.

ON ADMISSIONS.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Admissions to visit each applicant and inquire into her circumstances and character, and make a full report to the Board in writing in regard to those deemed by them proper persons for admission to the Home, always accompanied with a certificate from a physician of good standing that he has examined the applicant, and that she has no physical or mental infirmity that should preclude her admission. The Board shall, in all cases, decide upon the admission of candidates. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Admissions to keep a record, in which shall be entered the names of all applicants, their respective ages, places of birth and residence, by whom recommended, date of application, and such other information as may be of importance. No person shall be admitted as an inmate of the Home without a recommendation from this Committee.

SECT. 2. No person shall be admitted to the Home unless of American parentage, except by a majority of all the Managers present and voting at a regular meeting; and preference shall always be given to natives or residents of Roxbury.

SECT. 3. Persons under sixty-five years of age shall not be eligible. In the admission of all persons, they shall be received on probation of three months, at the expiration of which the Board of Managers shall act definitely on the case of each one so received; and, if not confirmed as permanent inmates, the admission fee, deducting three dollars per week, shall be returned.

SECT. 4. The Board of Managers may by vote admit inmates on such terms as the pecuniary condition of the corporation or the circumstances of any peculiar case may seem to demand. Until otherwise ordered, three hundred dollars shall be the fee for admission. Furniture and other articles brought into the house by or for permanent inmates must remain for the benefit of the Home.

SECT. 5. The Board of Managers have the right at any time to discharge and remove from the Home any inmate who has been guilty of disobedient or disorderly conduct, or who, in their judgment, has by her conduct rendered such action necessary for the best interests of the Institution, *provided*, however, that no vote of removal shall be passed, unless the intention to pass such vote shall have been inserted in the notice calling the meeting.

SECT. 6. Inmates who have property must secure the same to the corporation before admission; and, in case of money or other property coming into their possession after their admission, by inheritance, bequest, or otherwise, they must, if they continue in the Home, make the same over to the corporation upon the demand of the Board of Managers.

SECT. 7. Inmates will be required in all cases to comply with the Rules and Regulations of the Home, as provided by the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE IV.

INMATES.

SECTION 1. The inmates will be required at all times to treat the Matron and Visiting Committee with deference and respect. They will also endeavor, by quiet and gentle manners, to diffuse an air of cheerfulness and good feeling throughout the establishment; and, by acts of kindness and forbearance, to gain the esteem and promote the happiness and comfort of each other.

SECT. 2. Those who are able will be required to make their own beds and to keep their own rooms in order, neat and clean, and, under direction of the Matron, to assist those who are unable to do the same. They will also be expected to assist in domestic duties and in sewing, and generally to render all the services they can for the benefit of the Institution and the comfort of those inmates more helpless than themselves.

SECT. 3. No intoxicating drinks shall be used, except by order of the physician; and, in such cases, they must be administered by the Matron.

SECT. 4. All that is necessary for the comfort of the inmates of the Home will be provided from the funds of the Association. No inmate, therefore, will, on any account, be permitted to leave the Institution to solicit assistance or procure work, unless by special permission from the Visiting Committee.

SECT. 5. No inmate will be allowed to interfere with the Matron or to obstruct her in the discharge of her duties, but any one having cause of complaint must present the same to the Visiting Committee.

SECT. 6. If any inmate desires to visit her friends or to go off the premises at any time, permission must be obtained of the Matron, who, before granting the same, must ascertain where the person wishes to go and how long she proposes to be absent.

SECT. 7. All of the inmates who are able will take their meals at the regular table provided for them, and will also attend the Sunday service held for them in the parlor each Sunday afternoon.

ARTICLE V.

Visitors may be permitted any day in the week between the hours of 10 and 12 A.M. and 2 and 6 P.M., and on Sundays after 2 o'clock P.M.

ARTICLE VI.

These Rules and Regulations may be altered, amended, or abrogated, and others prescribed at any regular meeting of the Board of Managers; and, to insure harmony, strict attention should be paid to them.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

I give and bequeath to the Roxbury Home for Children and Aged Women, now located on Burton Avenue, Roxbury, in the city of Boston, Mass., the sum of..... dollars, to be applied to the general uses and purposes of said Home.

